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Dear Mr. Baird:


At the May 3, 2001 meeting, SANDAG's Shoreline Preservation Committee reviewed the Draft Policy on Coastal Erosion for the State of California. The "Overarching Principles" section of the draft is very consistent with the Shoreline Preservation Strategy adopted by SANDAG, and the working objectives the Committee uses in carrying out the strategy. The Shoreline Preservation Strategy Committee supports the State's adoption and implementation of this policy.

There was some discussion of the policy's details at the Shoreline Preservation Committee meeting. Individual jurisdictions within the San Diego region may comment on specific aspects of the policy, in addition to these comments from SANDAG.

This is an excellent time for updating California's Coastal Erosion Policy, particularly with the recent passage of the California Public Beaches Act. SANDAG looks forward to continued cooperative efforts with the State to restore and preserve our beaches.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (619) 595-5346. Thanks to you and the other state agency participants for all of your efforts in developing this important policy initiative.

Sincerely,



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